

## Message Text

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P R 231945Z JAN 78  
FM AMCONSUL SAO PAULO  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 8239  
INFO AMEMBASSY BRASILIA  
AMCONSUL RIO DE JANEIRO

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: SENV, BR  
SUBJECT: MAJOR OIL SPILL - EPA TEAM WINDUP

1. THREE-MAN EPA TEAM LEAVING SAO PAULO JANUARY 23 ON VARIG  
ARRIVING NEW YORK JANUARY 24. LT. COMMANDER MONSON AND WARRANT  
OFFICER RIVERA OF COAST GUARD REMAIN AT UBATUBA TO CONTINUE  
TO ASSIST IN MECHANICAL CLEAN UP OF BEACHES AND TO CONSULT  
WITH TAVOLOP REPRESENTATIVE WHO IS NOW ON THE SCENE CONCERNING  
LIABILITY OF TANKER OWNER.

2. EPA TEAM REPORTS LITTLE CHANGE IN PHYSICAL SITUATION. MA-  
JOR PROBLEM IS OIL WHICH HAS SUNK UNDER THE SURFACE ON THE  
BEACHES, SOME SIX TO EIGHTEEN INCHES WHERE DISPERSANTS WERE  
USED. THERE IS VERY LITTLE SIGHTING OF OIL ON BEACHES. OIL  
OFF THE COAST HAS GONE. TEAM REPORTS THAT SUBSEQUENT TO  
ORIGINAL OIL SPILL SOME VESSEL OR VESSELS TOOK ADVANTAGE OF  
SITUATION TO CLEAN THEIR TANKS AND NEW OIL WAS SIGHTED ON  
BEACHES AFTER INITIAL SPILL.

3. EPA TEAM IS WORKING UP LIST OF EQUIPMENT FOR BRAZILIAN  
AUTHORITIES AND WILL CONTINUE TO WORK COAST GUARD ON THIS  
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MATTER. EPA TEAM WILL PROVIDE COMPLETE REPORT TO SAO PAULO  
STATE POLLUTION CONTROL AGENCY CETESP WITH COPY TO CONGEN.  
EPA TEAM REPORTS IT HAS BEEN WORKING WITH SAO PAULO STATE  
AUTHORITIES ON LETTER FROM GOVERNOR FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF  
THEIR SERVICES. COAST GUARD OFFICERS WILL FILE ADDITIONAL  
REPORT WITH CONGEN.

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